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MORE THAN A MILLION PASSENGERS CARRIED BY TCA

MONTREAL—A net surplus of \$807,879 after payment of income taxes was reported by Trans-Canada in its annual report for 1952 tabled by the Rt. Hon. C. D. Howe, Minister of Trade and Commerce, in the House of Commons today. The report, signed by G. R. McGregor, president of the airline, marked a milestone in the Company's history when it noted that for the first time the airline carried more than one million passengers in a single year.

The Company's annual statement showed income tax payments of \$1,200,000 on gross earnings of \$2,007,879. The 1952 surplus was down from \$3,890,957 in 1951 although operating revenues were 15 per cent higher at \$35,057,708 than in the previous year. On the other hand, operating expenses for the year were up by 22 per cent due primarily to the direct cost associated with the increased mileage flown, increased traffic carried and increased payroll expenses, which alone amounted to almost \$5,000,000. Due in great measure to the loyalty and efficient efforts of the Company's 6,200 employees, the cost of providing each unit of air transportation continued to decrease, Mr. McGregor said.

The percentage rise in expenses was also affected in 1952 by exceptional items resulting from the fleet expansion program. Capital expenditure for which TCA is committed over the next two and a half years approximates \$35,000,000, against which progress payments of \$5,600,000 have already been made.

The statement showed also an increase of 20 per cent in volume of passenger transportation while air cargo and air express volume increased by 30 per cent, and mail volume by 8 per cent. On spoken routes TCA carried 1,132,518 passengers, flew 5,643,920 ton miles of air cargo and 1,398,507 ton miles of air express. Mail ton miles increased to 4,842,052.

On the North Atlantic, there was a May 1 reduction of almost \$200 in the price of a round-trip ticket, as TCA joined other carriers in the introduction of fare service. The company chose to operate a single standard of service pending delivery of equipment with larger seating capacity now on order.

Simultaneous with the reduced fare was the termination of an arrangement with the Canadian Government to bring in immigrants from the British Isles and Europe under which more than 10,000 persons flew to Canada since December, 1950 and under which 3,000 persons entered Canada during the first four months of 1952.

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C.Y.O. Play Is Well Attended

ST. ALBERT — The C.Y.O. presented a three-act play entitled "This Night Beware." The rehearsal on the evening of God Friday was well attended. On Sunday evening it was again presented. The play was directed by Father Tardiff. The cast included Dennis and Gus Broder, Ruth and Delphine Armstrong, Simone and Paul Labelle, Diane Wilson, Helen Gomerus, Bill Hakenfuhr, Lucille Cherd, Tom Maloney and Marcel Morin. Between the first and second act, June and Joan Flynn and Jeannette Bonnyville tap-danced.

W.I. Hears Guest Speaker

ST. ALBERT — The March meeting of this organization was held in the library on the evening of March 31 with 30 or more ladies present. Mayor Wm. Veness reminded the ladies at the meeting on the facts of the proposed waterworks and sewage disposal in St. Albert; he held the following evening. He also thanked Mrs. Wm. Heron on behalf of the council for her splendid work on Civil Defence and First Aid in the Community. Mrs. Harry Tomlinson then expressed her opinion on help given toward the St. Albert skating rink. She urged complete co-operation of every organization and person in the town on this important town project. She met with the complete approval of all those present.

A donation was given to the Salvation Army. Mrs. Bert Sumner discussed the Red Cross canvas. The Volmer Hobby Circle were especially thanked for their nice donation.

Miss Smith, public health nurse for the Sturgeon Health Division, was the guest speaker. The highlights of her address were: first, the aim to educate children and adults on the importance of raising health standards. In the schools children are checked on their vision, teeth, posture, tonsils and mental attitude. Inoculations are also given. Another branch of this service is Infant Welfare, e.g., if a baby is sickly from some unknown cause, one of the things done by the Health Service is to have the well water tested. She concluded by welcoming everyone to the new Health Centre, near Canada Parkers in Edmonton.

Mrs. Rielhof of Wargip, district convener, then gave a brief address. The tentative date for the constituency conference in St. Albert is June 6. The meeting concluded with the serving of a very nice lunch.

U.K. COUPLE BOUND FOR EDMONTON



Nineteen-year-old Sylvia Jean Fowler, who was given permission by her mother to leave provided she emigrated to Canada, is seen with the bridegroom, Edwin Arthur Carpenter, 26, following their marriage at Darford, England. A farm worker, who formerly worked for his wife's father at Kent, Edwin Carpenter will take up farming near Edmonton, where they plan to make their home.

ST. ALBERT NEWS BRIEFS

Mrs. W. Cuts entertained Miss Alice Russ and Anne Cameron, Dougie and Neil John Ross at a waffle supper on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Laderoute entertained company from Medicine Hat recently.

Mrs. Bud Leclair and her mother, Mrs. Harold, visited friends in St. Albert on Wednesday afternoon. We are sorry to report that Mrs. Harold suffered from an attack of flu recently.

On Monday evening, March 30, the women of the AFIA held a miscellaneous shower for Miss Solange Curral at the home of Mrs. Oliver Sinclair. About 15 ladies were present. Mrs. Olive Harold contributed a very amusing contest. The gifts were presented in an Easter basket by Mrs. Powell and Mrs. Louise Pahr. Everyone enjoyed themselves despite the muddy roads.

The ladies of the Altar Society of St. Albert are having a sale of home-laid in Bonny's Meat Market on Sunday afternoon, April 11.

The transformer near Billy McMillan's home caught fire during a high wind recently and caused the electric power in town to go off for approximately three hours. Later in the week Calgary Power came out to check all the transformers and again the electricity was off for approximately four hours.

Mrs. John Scott and children, John, Wendy and Pat, left to spend Easter week with Mr. Scott at Dawson Creek.

Professor and Mrs. E. Phibbs will soon begin to build a new house on their acreage bordering Mr. Sato's market garden. Professor Phibbs teaches mathematics at the University of Alberta.

On Thursday evening some of the school children were taken to the indoor stadium to see the Golden Leafs play basketball. Mr. Babcock and Mrs. Vague were in charge.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Miek motor out to Medicine Hat to visit her parents there. They are sorry to report that her father is very ill.

Mrs. Roly Douriech has been helping Roly during his busy season at his Edmonton hatchery.

Mr. and Mrs. Armand Gervais entertained their children and grandchildren on Easter Sunday.

The Gazette is sorry to report that Mrs. Guinot and Mrs. Herman Iscke were patients in the hospital recently.

A miscellaneous shower was held at the home of Mrs. E. A. Atkinson on Wednesday evening in honor of Miss Eva Maitland.

Mrs. Jim Sharpe was co-hostess. About 20 guests were present. Mrs. Maitland is a graduate of the General Hospital. Her marriage to Mr. Eric Henderson will take place (continued on page 2)

St. Albert Ladies Discuss Water Project

ST. ALBERT — The meeting for the women on the proposed waterworks and sewage disposal for St. Albert was attended by about 60 women. It was held on Wednesday evening, April 1, in the Community Hall. Mayor Wm. Veness gave a very thorough explanation of the whole project — the reasons for it, the benefits of it, the cost to the individual taxpayer. Many questions were asked by the women and enlightening answers to each question were given by Mayor Veness and also by Mr. Brian Ellis, the engineer, who was also present. The mayor and his council ask that everyone eligible vote on this project on April 15 and that each person cast an intelligent ballot. Another meeting for both men and women will be held in the Community Hall on Sunday evening, April 10. Everyone interested in this important matter is urged to attend this meeting.

Red Folds Continue High Yield

ST. ALBERT — No outstanding records for Red Folds were established during January and February according to the records received for that period.

In the mature class, Royal Jane, owned by Bertram Cashik, Eden Grove, 4 lbs., bred with 8,673 lbs. milk, 31 lbs. B.F. testing 3.85 per cent in the 365 day division. The leader in the 365 day division was Rosedale Sunshine, owned and bred by Mrs. May Paulsen, Ponoka, Alberta, with 8,065 lbs. milk and 348 lbs. butterfat, averaging 4.30 per cent.

In the four year age class there were no qualifiers in the 365 day division but in the 305 day division the leader was Rosedale Carmine, also owned and bred by Mrs. Paulsen, with 8,169 lbs. milk and 306 lbs. butterfat, testing 3.91 per cent.

The three year old class was dominated by two cows owned by Donald C. Paulsen, Ponoka, Alberta. In the 365 day division Rosedale Winnie was the leader with 7,848 lbs. milk and 329 lbs. butterfat, testing 4.19 per cent. Rosedale Doreen led the 305 day division by producing 6,720 lbs. milk and 239 lbs. butterfat, testing 3.56 per cent.

The high two year old was owned and bred by Nels P. Mogensson, Rimbey, Alberta. She produced 6,168 lbs. milk and 271 lbs. butterfat, testing 4.44 per cent in the 305 day division.

More Than A Million . . .

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carry out its operations without the acquisition of any new capital.

The public's increasing demand for air travel was effectively met by TCA in 1952 by increasing by 14 per cent the schedule miles on all services during the year. Flight frequencies were increased on a number of routes with a fifth transcontinental flight being added during the summer months. Daily flights were operated on the North Atlantic during all months excepting November and December, and added service was provided on the Caribbean routes during the winter months.

Germany was added to TCA's route pattern with the introduction of service to Dusseldorf on November 5. Fredericton was added on February 1 and a once weekly flight from Montreal was scheduled to serve Goose Bay, previously dependent on North Atlantic operations.

A program to increase the seating capacity of domestic North Star aircraft from 46 to 48, with no loss of comfort to passengers, was virtually completed during 1952 and increased available seats by 20 per cent. TCA's aircraft—23 North Stars and 27 DC-3s—flew a total of 28,600,919 miles during the year.

During the same period the Company placed an order with Vickers-Armstrongs of England for 15 Vickers Viscounts, a jet, turbo-propeller powered aircraft, with delivery scheduled for late in 1954. The Viscounts, which operate economically below the extreme altitudes required by jet aircraft, will be used on TCA's inter-city routes and will be the first of their type to be placed in operation in North America. They feature vibration less flight with low cabin noise level and were selected as the aircraft best suited for Canada's needs.

An order for three additional Super Constellation aircraft to augment the five previously ordered for the international routes was also placed. The Super Constellation is equipped with four engines of the new compounded turbine, turbo-propeller type which will reduce the trans-Atlantic flight times by as much as four hours. With the interior design to be accepted by TCA, 63 passengers will be carried. These aircraft will enter service in the spring of 1954.

Since it is the Company's policy to ensure that cargo capacity remains adequate to the traffic demands, three Bristol air freighters were ordered with delivery to be made in the autumn of 1953. These aircraft are designed specifically for carriage of bulk cargo and will contain loads of six tons. They will be used primarily over the Montreal-Toronto-Winnipeg route.

Mr. McGeehan disclosed that during 1953 Regina and Lethbridge will be included on North Star routes. Both cities are at

PRETTY MISS CROWNED QUEEN



JOAN STEWART, crowned queen of the 1953 Roadside Winter Carnival by Mr. Simmonds, President of the Federation of Community Leagues. Pictured are, left to right, Louise Haines, Susanne Phalomin, and Arlie Marker, with the successful queen and Mr. Simmonds in the foreground.

present served by DC-3 inter-city operations. The Company has also applied for authority to operate a daily service between Saint Ste. Marie-Sudbury-North Bay and Ottawa, with a connecting Toronto-Sudbury service and a northern extension to Timmins.

St. Albert News Briefs

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in the Central United Church in Edmonton on April 18.

The Athletic Club of St. Leon is holding a dance in the St. Albert Community Hall on Friday evening, April 10.

Joan and Joyce Atkinson and John Bocock have returned home from Vermilion School of Agriculture with their diplomas. Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Bocock and Mrs. E. A. Atkinson attended the closing exercises which included a dress parade, the awarding of the diplomas, a banquet and a dance.

Mr. and Mrs. Nell Ross and Sheila have arrived back from a six-week vacation in Arizona and California.

Little Jeanette Gaudin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Gaudin, celebrated her eighth birthday on Easter Sunday. She entertained a few friends at a party.

The St. Albert Catholic Church is holding a mission beginning April 12 until April 19 for the French-speaking members, and from April 19 until April 26, the mission will be for the English-speaking members. Father Abhin Chou is the retreat master.

West Rusby News Briefs

Alfred Leiske who was seriously ill was flown from Fort Nelson to Edmonton for treatment. His condition is much improved and we hope he continues to improve so he will be home soon.

Genevieve Koslosky and Anne

Out visited at their respective homes one week-end.

Karl Mirus drove to Dawson Creek one week-end, recently.

Mrs. Shippena entertained the Sewing Circle at their regular meeting. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Sawyer.

Horst Miron flew to Yellowknife to accept a position there.

Bob Leahy is back farming again after a winter spent in Edmonton.

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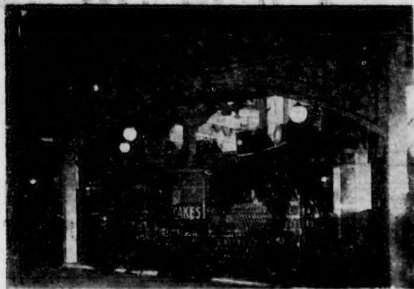
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EFFICIENT TRACTOR NEEDED FOR FARM SAFETY

EDMONTON—A tractor in poor repair or one operated carelessly can cost a farmer his life, is the warning of the Rural Division of the Alberta Safety Council as spring work begins in Alberta's agricultural industry.

Officials of the organization stress that three factors will contribute to farm safety during the busy season: tractor and farm machinery in good repair, constant precautions in operation of tractor and machinery, and the general good health of the operator.

"Machinery in poor repair is costly in time and money; it is also an extremely dangerous accident hazard," it was stated.

Farmers are advised to check the seat on their tractors before beginning spring work, to see that seat mountings are secure, strong and not worn. A seat suspension, breaking when tractor is going over rough land, can throw the operator to the ground in the path of a live harrow, tiller or plow. A spring seat or foam rubber cushion on the tractor will contribute to the comfort and efficiency of the operator.

The tractor hitch should also be checked as a safety measure to see that it is properly mounted. Power take-off, if used, should be properly shielded.

Special attention should be given to the efficiency of the tractor's brakes, making sure they lock together, as improper brakes can swing the tractor around and turn it over or throw the operator to the ground.

Even a tractor in good repair can be a dangerous machine unless the operator is alert to safety measures, officials of the Alberta Safety Council said.

High speeds should be avoided at all times. Refuelling should never be done while the motor is running, or when it is hot. Hand clutches provided on some makes of tractors should not be operated from the ground. "Stay on your tractor and back it towards the hitch; don't attempt to operate the machine from the ground; you risk death or per-

manent injury if you do so," officials warned.

Several fatal accidents last year resulted from tractor operators allowing passengers to ride with them on their machines, it was pointed out. "A tractor is built to accommodate only the operator, a hitchhiker on the machine courts death."

Safety conditions are greatly improved if the tractor operator himself is in good health and is provided with device for his comfort while working. Tight-fitting goggles are especially useful during spring work when dust and high winds are prevalent. Cotton plugs or swimmer's rubber ear plugs will reduce noise and prevent temporary deafness caused by the constant exhaust roar.

A complete medical check-up for the operator before he starts spring work is recommended by the Council. "In many other industries a medical check-up would be required after a six-months layoff. Make sure you are physically fit to operate a tractor this spring."

Accessibility to a first aid kit and knowledge of first aid can help reduce the seriousness of field accidents during the busy season, the Council stated.

Honest Public

WICHITA, Kan.—A month or so ago, M. E. Stone, furniture dealer, put a quart pail on a nail outside the store with \$4 in change in it, and painted a sign on the store window, urging motorists to "make your own parking-meters change." At last check, Stone says the bucket had \$3.96 in it and that it's never been more than 7 or 8 cents short.

Nations' Leaders Express Hope Fresh Peace Talks Could Succeed

(By British United Press)

Echoes of the Chinese Communist peace offensive spread around the world today. Developments came in rapid fire order from London, Moscow and Seoul. The first clear-cut statement of British policy was made in the House of Commons. Prime Minister Churchill said that the new Chinese peace proposals seem to offer hope for an end to the Korean war.

COMMONS APPLAUDS

The Prime Minister continued: "Thus, it seems to provide the basis on which the armistice negotiations can be usefully resumed." Churchill added: "These developments, if not spoiled, seem to offer a new hope—for a cessation of the fighting in Korea." The Commons cheered the Prime Minister's report.

Officials in Washington wonder whether part of the price for peace in Korea is Red China's admission to the United Nations. It events proved this to be so, officials say that the price is just too high.

Earlier plans to demand immediate full-dress debate of the Chinese proposals in the UN have been scrapped.

In New York's financial district there was another reflection of Korean developments. Prices on the New York Stock exchange slipped downward for the third session in a row, selling hit the market after a firm opening.

Teachers Face Heavy Agenda

EDMONTON—One hundred and eighty delegates, representing 48 local boards, are attending the annual general meeting of the Alberta Teachers' Association in Edmonton April 9, 7, 8, according to Eric C. Ansley, general secretary-treasurer of the ATA.

A heavy agenda including 100 resolutions faces the delegates. Meetings got underway at the Macdonald Hotel Easter Monday with registration commencing at nine o'clock, and this was followed by fraternal greetings from the Alberta School Trustees' Association, Alberta Farmers' Union, Alberta Federation of Home and School Associations, Alberta Federation of Labor, Civil Service Association, Edmonton Chamber of Commerce, Department of Education, Faculty of Education, and the School Superintendents' Association.

Resolutions occupied most of Monday and Tuesday, with the elections and committee reports likely to take up most of the final day. One special report deals with a proposal to revise the system of electing the president of the ATA.

Annual reports are to be given by retiring president Marian Gimby, Mr. Ansley, general secretary-treasurer; the board of administrators of the teachers' retirement fund; the ATA representative on the board of teacher education and certification; curriculum committees; radio committee; faculty of education; salary schedule committee; education co-ordinating committee; library committee and others.



Wayne Ronald Wairich

Red Cross Sick Room Loans Crutches

Boys will be boys and a trick or two on a fence meant a broken leg for five-year-old Wayne Ronald Wairich of Winnipeg. Red Cross came to his aid with the loan of a pair of crutches to help him get around until he was ready for more, exciting activities. Now sound and sturdy he is shown returning the crutches to the Sick Room Loan Supply Service.

Little Wayne is one of the many thousands of Canadians who call every year for the loan of sick room supplies from the Red Cross. All requests for loans of sick room supplies, which are made absolutely free of charge, are checked with the family physician for the protection of the patient, the doctor and the Red Cross.

"In most Canadian centres hospital accommodation is difficult to obtain and more and more cases of chronic incurable diseases are being cared for in the home," stated Helen McArthur, national director of Red Cross nursing services. "Through the Red Cross it is possible to obtain on loan such things as hospital beds, back rests, bed pans, crutches, and wheel chairs. Linen, blankets, air rugs and others are also provided by the local Red Cross branches."

The Sick Room Loan Cupboards have widened their scope in recent years through the co-operation of local departments of health and women's organizations. Private physicians, health and welfare agencies, nursing services, as well as private individuals, all make calls on them in more than 400 Red Cross centres.

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The Editor will pay \$1.00 for every item published on "The Most Embarrassing Moment of My Life." To qualify, items must be true personal incidents dealing "Embarrassing Moments," P.O. Box 4166, South Edmonton.

Retiring alone from church one evening my husband was acting as usher, a lady from the congregation introduced herself to me and said "I've always wanted to meet you," "I've met your son," I said: "You must be my husband." "No," she persisted, "your son who is the usher." I didn't mind her thinking my husband was young looking, but as I was then only 21 years old I was mighty embarrassed.

M.M.R.

Keephills.

Even charge of my little boy cousin at the beach, my attention was diverted for a few minutes by the large crowd of people. Choosing the moment when my back was turned, he quickly pulled off his bathing suit and ran down the beach in his altogether. Embarrassed, I ran after him with his swim suit in my hand.

Velma Barritt.

Mirror.

I have had a most embarrassing moment in my life and here it is, just the other day I was at a funeral in church and I wore a skirt. During the funeral service, all of a sudden I heard something slip down my feet. I looked down and here was my skirt on the floor. You can imagine how I felt!

Luckily I had been standing amongst the women and wears a long coat, not very may saw me pick it up, but it was pretty hard for those standing around to have a choke their laughs in handkerchiefs.

At a funeral, of all places!

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Licensing Gone Crazy

(From the Financial Post)

A Quebec citizen who wishes to leave his kitchen or out-house painted, must turn that job over only to members of a self-appointed group, if a request now before the provincial legislature is heeded. This comes from an organization known as the Professional Association of Painting and Decorating Contractors of the Province of Quebec. At its recent annual meeting it asked for recognition of the association as a professional body, for the purpose of licensing its members. The idea probably came from Edmonton, the only place in Canada where such a regulation applies.

This nonsense of licensing all

Car. No. 188187

J. E. Comeau, agent at Alberta Wheat Elevator at Pinedville, thinks he has an attraction for C.P.R. car No. 188187. He loaded it with wheat on March 6 and on March 13 back came the same car to be loaded with oats. If that car comes back to Pinedville again Mr. Comeau is going to claim it as his own.

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EDITORIALS

A Good Investment

The Canadian Cancer Society is again conducting its annual campaign for funds in this community. In considering the request for contributions, most people, it is pretty certain, will ask themselves just how important is it that they give to this cause.

Can they also ask with justification, "I've given year after year and still we're threatened by cancer?"

Each man's answer will be his own.

Our answer is based on the word, "hope."

It must be remembered that the long hard road of research can turn at any moment. A look at the record of scientific achievement will demonstrate this better than anything else.

The death rate from rheumatic fever declined 53 per cent between 1944 and 1950, the last year for which figures are available. Deaths from pneumonia and influenza declined 47 per cent in the same period. From 1944 to 1949 appendicitis deaths were cut 53.7 per cent and the scarlet fever death rate dropped 70 per cent.

The over-all death rate in Canada was reduced 15 per cent from 1937 to 1950.

This tremendous improvement is directly due to the development of the sulfa drugs, penicillin and other antibiotics.

But these wondrous jailers of infection did not leap full blown from the minds of their creators. They were the results of many patient years of plodding investigations.

And so, too, can it be with cancer. If the public can provide funds to keep the scientists at work long enough they will find the complete answer. Already, half of those who develop cancer could be saved by early diagnosis and prompt treatment.

More than half a million dollars was allocated to research by the Canadian Cancer Society in 1952. The Society expects to increase the figure this year.

When you are asked to give, do it with great expectations—with the knowledge that cancer can be conquered and with the ever constant hope that it will be soon!

Wheat Agreement Discussion

The latest information on the International Wheat conference being held in Washington, D.C., is that wheat exporting countries have reduced their figure for a ceiling price to \$2.10 and the importing nations have increased their figure to \$1.95.

While press reports would suggest that the difference in viewpoint on the ceiling price has created a deadlock, there is some hope that an agreement will be signed. A compromise price of around \$2.05 may be arrived at.

If no wheat agreement is signed the key to the price situation will rest mainly with the United States. By the end of the crop year the government of that country will own at least 40 million bushels of wheat. If that volume is held off the market importing nations will have to bid for supplies. If it is dumped on the market prices will skid.

Note and Comment

The British wheat crop in 1952 is estimated at 82.8 million bushels. Production in 1951 was 83.5 million. The average yield per acre was 42.2 bushels.

The livestock industry in France is suffering heavily from foot-and-mouth disease. About 15 per cent of the total cattle population have been infected.

The United States imported 16.6 million bushels of Canadian wheat during the first six months of the present crop year. Of that total 3.2 million bushels was for milling in bond.

On February 20 some 25 million lbs. of butter was stockpiled in Canada, an increase of 7 million lbs. over the amount in storage on the same date the previous year.

Super Highways — Super Crack-Ups

By T. W. PUE

For many years Albertans have been rightly critical of the condition of Highways in the Province. Narrow roads, muddy and rutted, however, are being replaced with 44 foot wide speedways, hard surfaced, with plenty of shoulder width on each side. High speed will replace low speed, and muddy ruts will be replaced by smooth hard-top surfaces lending itself to carefree, bump-free auto travel.

But now traffic authorities remind us that though Hon. Gordon Taylor, Minister of Highways and his corps of engineers are doing a good job, we still can make junk of our pavements, and scum-bones out of our collective necks on these super-roads.

We haven't yet approached the high standards of the Pennsylvania Turnpike which was built in 1940. But better roads and better cars mean more frequent and serious traffic casualties.

Latest statistics prove that more and more super-road users are cracking up in more and more accidents. A total of 365 drivers and passengers have been killed on the Pennsylvania Turnpike since 1940, 40 died on the New Jersey Turnpike during its first 10 months of operation. Cars in such high-speed fatalities average \$2,429 damage per vehicle. The average two-or three-lane highway wreck runs up a repair bill of less than \$500.

The reason for such new-style super-smackups is deadly simple. A car traveling 70 mph (Pennsylvania legal speed is 70; Jersey 60) can't be braked to a safe stop in less than 297 feet. If a car or truck less than that distance ahead of you gets into trouble, chances are excellent that you'll pile up on him, as No. 2 man in a multiple crackup.

On the Jersey road, recently, 11 cars which hadn't bothered to slow down in fog got tangled in a sensational chain-reaction smash-up.

Even skilled truck drivers can't speed with impunity. On the Pennsylvania toll road, a white back, one huge trailer truck skidded and jack-knifed, and was promptly ground to pieces by four trucks roaring behind it. Score: Two dead; \$700,000 estimated damage.

Alarmist authorities are demanding speed, way reforms—more patrolling and perhaps even a system of caution signals like those on auto race tracks, to slow the scorchers down when there's danger ahead. It's obvious that some such stern measures are needed unless our best highways are to become our worst traffic nightmares.

Meantime unless you really crave to figure in one of those sensational, 50 mph, double-decker pile-ups, better take it easy.

A Voice Against Hanging

Every decent-minded citizen of Alberta, indeed of all Canada, will be relieved to know that the death sentence on a Drumheller miner, guilty of killing his wife, has been commuted to life imprisonment.

In prison this man can be given some useful work to do and live, not because of his deeds, but in spite of them. It is time that capital punishment was written off our law books.

The Calgary Albertan has raised the point that hanging serves no purpose whatever. Threat of hanging didn't stop a crazed young man from pumping five bullets into the body of an Edmonton businessman in broad daylight on a parking lot in the centre of the city.

It didn't stop a moral degenerate from violating and then murdering a Calgary woman. It didn't stop the Drumheller miner from killing his wife to put her out of pain and misery.

Why don't we put a stop to this savage idea that the state must take the life of every man guilty of homicide? Do two wrongs make one right?

A Tasty Dish

A lady in Alabama, U.S.A., who lost her bet that Governor Stevenson would win the recent election had to eat the front page of a pro-Roosevelt newspaper complete with the winner's photograph. The dish was quite palatable as the lady first burned the page, mixed the ashes in a cup of coffee and swallowed it with apple pie.

The Bible Today

Ye are the salt of the earth; but if the salt have lost His savour, wherewith shall it be seasoned?

—St. Matthew, V: 13



Voice of the People

THE WAY TO PEACE

It has been suggested that if peace broke out that our prosperity would burst like a bubble and we would be in the midst of a depression. This is probably true, but it can hardly be believed that we are desirous of keeping our present tensions and fears so high just to enjoy "high wages," "high profits" and "high prices." To suppose that the majority of humanity; our fathers, mothers, young men and sweethearts like this continual uncertainty; the separations and the killings of Korea; the giving up of the cherished plans of young people in order to fight for Queen and country and the shocks of war, is not true.

That the American people are desperately anxious for peace is proven by the eagerness with which they accepted Eisenhower's promise to go to Korea and seized upon it as a way to settle that war. Eisenhower's stated willingness to go halfway around the world to meet Stalin, has stirred hope again and who not? We have tried the cold war and the threat of the atom bomb and failed to secure peace. We have, under Acheson's direction, tried to build up our strength by armaments until we could negotiate from the point of overwhelming power. We had the atom bomb and now likely have the hydrogen bomb but in our hearts we know that to use them would not bring peace but destruction. Russia has the same weapons and we are like "cattle ducks" with our large cities more vulnerable than is Russia to attack.

What have we gained by past policies? Has the U.S. built up much friendship for herself? Do we feel ourselves secure? Are the United States' motives trusted in Europe and Asia? Actually have we tried a give and take type of negotiation, or simply tried to dictate, shown distrust and overbearing intolerance to the others, stooped to race superiority?

During four years in the west we have built up armaments and planes and spent millions, but every little twisted building friendship and confidence. Yet millions of our young people are just waiting for inspired leadership in the battle of ideals. No construction is necessary in such a struggle. Even Russia's fear of us would dissolve if we demonstrated we really meant to be friendly. We must come to it sometime, why not continue now?

"BACK TO DEMOCRACY"

I am glad to have your paper which I am now receiving monthly. It is a first step back to yards democracy since the wicked United States destroyed the roots of democracy in Alberta.

JOHN F. MILNER
Fallis, Alta.

PULPITMAN IN PULPITS

The Dean of Canterbury (His Red Dean) has been in Ontario and has spoken in several Canadian cities. It is also rumored that the Premier of Alberta is going to make a return tour of Ontario.

Now these gentlemen do not call Ontario for advancement of Christianity or the betterment of social conditions but the one will try to further the interests of Communism and the other of Social Credit.

It is regrettable that men like the Dean of Canterbury, the Premier of Alberta and Ontario's Hon. James K. Stewart, are allowed to pretense their positions and use the pulpits of the Christian Church for the furtherance of their false and dangerous political ideas but such is democracy.

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LETTERS TO LOUISA

Dear Louisa,

All of the letters I have been reading in your column lately have been from people who are unhappy about some problem, so I thought I would give your readers a change by writing and telling about a happy couple.

My husband and I have been married for six years and we have two darling children. Bob doesn't make a big salary but it is enough for us to pay on a small home which will be ours in fifteen years. We also are putting up an educational fund—paying insurance on it—and we allow ourselves a baby-sitter one night a week.

I have my work well-organized so that dinner is ready when he comes home in the evening and he puts the children to bed while I clean up the dishes.

We enjoy doing this and reads or tells them a story as he doesn't get to see them much at any other part of the day.

After they are in bed, we talk or listen to the radio and, before long, we hope to go enough for a TV set.

Bob is perfectly happy over this set-up and so am I. The children are healthy and I have an arrangement with a friend who keeps my children when I go to the Church circle and I keep her's when she goes to church meetings.

We go to church each Sunday and leave the children in the church nursery. I always cook enough on Saturday so that I can heat up dinner on Sunday. If the day is nice—a real all of us ride over to see the grandparents who usually keep us for an early supper.

Bob thinks I am a wonderful cook and I have added the government book so that he gets a balanced diet. He has had three raises since we have been married, so I feel that we are very lucky.

Just thought I would let you hear from a couple who haven't much money but who are enjoying life.

MARY G.

Answer:
Thank you, Mary, for your nice letter. I am sure that it will make a great many people realize that they have more to be thankful for than to complain about.

Happiness really comes from within and it is very contagious. A happy, contented wife, or husband, can often make a whole household happy while a complaining, lazy woman or an inconsiderate, stingy man can make the home a continual nightmare.

There are very few of us who are perfect and adjustments have to be made after every marriage. You, Mary, and Bob, seemed to have managed this beautifully. Everything is on a fifty-fifty basis. You take your job as a house-

maker seriously and have good meals and a nice home atmosphere. Bob does his part and enjoys doing it and you are both so congenial that you do not consider it a hardship to give up the outside pleasures for a few years until your children grow older and he is making more money.

Thank you for your inspiring letter.

LOUISA



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Smoot Losses—An Extra Tax

Smoot diseases continue to levy an annual tax of thousands of dollars on Western Canadian crops of wheat, oats and barley. This is one tax prairie farmers should get rid of in 1953. How? By seed treatment.

Leslie Henry, According to records, 3 out of every 1,000 carboys of wheat shipped through Winnipeg each year, during the last 10 years have been graded "A and U 10" on account of being infested with smut. Even heavier smut losses occur in oats and barley. In the last few years, for instance, it has not been difficult to find fields of oats and barley in many districts in which by actual count the number of plants destroyed by smut ranged from 10 to 30 per cent. Most of these losses are caused by the smut diseases that are carried over from one season to the next on the outside of the seed—smuts which can be controlled effectively by disinfecting the seed with an approved chemical.

Seed Contaminated. The result of smut tests already completed by this Department on about 3,000 farmers' seed-grain samples from the 1952 crop show that 14% of the stocks of wheat, 8% of those of oats, and no less than 9% of the stocks of barley farmers intend to use for seeding purposes this season are contaminated with smut. With this contamination existing, why should any farmer in Western Canada take a chance on planting out-of-date, smut-contaminated seed in 1953?

Lower Production Costs. Take it as a reward for good growers to keep their production costs as low as possible. The control of smut, though seed treatment is one method of reducing production costs and increasing profits. Yes, seed treatment is a well-made answer to reducing smut losses. Treat your seed grain this Spring and get rid of it in 1953—smut-free.

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Mrs. C. O'Flynn, R.R. No. 2, Viking, Alta., has earned a \$1.00 cheque because her Favorite Recipe is published this week. Send entries to P.O. Box 4430, South Edmonton.

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A.H.

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Unnecessary Caution

Candid Uncle (sotto voice)—I don't think much of your choice, my boy; she's older than you, nearly blind, figure sloppy—

Nephew—You needn't whisper, uncle—she's also deaf.

A Slam

Patient — I adore bridge! I could play bridge in my sleep.

Partner (grimly)—Apparently you do.

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Diner — Waiter, I'll have lamb chops with potatoes, and have the lamb chops lean.

Waiter — Yes, sir, which way?

Pay No Attention

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Myrt — "The poor boy's delicious again."

Mayme—Heavens! Is it serious?

Myrt — Gracious, no. It's the silliest stuff you ever heard.

Prompt Lad

Skive — I hear that young Pootzie is bringing suit against the government for \$50,000 damages.

Pycraft — On what grounds?

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A Mental "Facial"

Wife — Richard, my mind is made up.

Hub — Heaven's! Is that artificial, too?

Never Trust 'Em

Prison Chaplain — Why are you here again, Tom?

Convict — Because of my belief, sir.

Chaplain — Nonsense! What do you mean?

Convict—I believed the policeman had gone by, sir.

The Salesman

Wife: "Have you ever seen the man that sold you those Florida lot's that were two feet under water?"

Huband (sheepishly): "Yes, I saw him the other day."

Wife (suspiciously): "Well, what happened?"

"He sold me a boat."

Definitions

Public Speaking: The art of diluting a two-minute idea with a two-hour vocabulary.

Fortune Hunter: The man who seeks a girl for her p.a. value.

Fishne: A lot of little holes tie together with a string.

What?

Wife — I went to cooking school before I got married.

Chief — What did you do there, play bridge?

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